

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	ORDER
	)	
PABLO ADAME AGUIRRE,	)	RE: MATERIAL WITNESS
	)	FRANCISCO SALMORAN LOPEZ
Defendant.	)	

This matter is before the court on the application of the United States for the arrest and detention of a material witness, Francisco Salmoran Lopez. The court having found the application set forth the materiality of the witness's testimony in the above-captioned matter and it may become impracticable to secure the presence of the witness by subpoena, an arrest warrant was issued for the arrest of witness Francisco Salmoran Lopez on April 8, 2010, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3144. Following the witness's arrest, the witness Francisco Salmoran Lopez was brought before the undersigned magistrate judge on April 13, 2010, for a hearing.

Francisco Salmoran Lopez appeared with his court-appointed counsel, David J. Tarrell, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Frederick Franklin represented the United States. During the hearing, Laura Garcia-Hein, a certified interpreter in the Spanish language, served as interpreter.

The court took judicial notice of the application and affidavit and an Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) detainer for the witness which was placed with the U.S. Marshal. Francisco Salmoran Lopez presented no evidence on the government's request that he be detained as a material witness.

I find that the testimony of Francisco Salmoran Lopez would be material in this criminal proceeding against Pablo Adame Aguirre. I further find it may become impracticable to secure the presence of the witness by subpoena if the witness absconds to Mexico if he were released from custody on conditions. Since ICE has placed a detainer with the U.S. Marshal for deportation proceedings regarding the witness and the witness has no roots in this community or state, I find there is no condition or combination of conditions that would reasonably assure the presence of the witness for the upcoming criminal proceedings in this matter if he were released on conditions.

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. The witness, Francisco Salmoran Lopez, is committed to the custody of the Attorney General or her designated representative for confinement in a corrections facility separate, to the extent practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody pending appeal. The witness shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity for private consultation with his counsel. On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility shall deliver the witness to the United States Marshal for the purpose of an appearance in connection with a court proceeding.

2. Any motion or request for a deposition of the witness pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 15(a) and 18 U.S.C. § 1344 shall be served on all parties to this case.

DATED this 13th day of April, 2010.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken  
United States Magistrate Judge